[To accompany bill H. R. No. 722.]

JANUARY 16, 1857.

Mr. Broom, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

Francis Weeks, aged 96 in 1853, (act 1832, Geo.,) claims that he entered the service in 1778, and served four years; was an ensign—commission and discharge lost or mislaid.—(See his declaration in detail.)

Proofs.—No record proof in existence.

William Coggin, aged 101 in March, 1856, a pensioner drawing eighty-eight dollars per annum as a lieutenant of infantry and cavalry, swears that he was well acquainted with Francis Weeks; that he served in the revolution at the battles of Brier creek, siege of 1796, and at Eutaw Springs; that he was with Weeks when they caught and hung seven tories. In a former certificate, in 1854, Lieutenant William Coggin swears that Francis Weeks is the identical person who was in the service at '96, and was BEARING COLORS.

William McLeod, a pensioner, swears as to Francis Weeks; that he was at the battle of Brier creek, and also at the battle of Eutaw Springs; and that he served as stated in his declaration, as ensign.—

(See affidavit made in October, 1853.)

John Haines, a pensioner, aged 117 years. He swears that Francis Weeks, acting as an officer, and himself were at the siege of 1796; that they were present at the taking and hanging of seven tories at Brier creek, &c.—(See affidavit dated January, 1855.)

In another affidavit, dated October, 1854, he swears that Weeks and himself were in service three years, as an officer of some kind.

William W. Webb swears that, in 1853, in a conversation with Francis Weeks, he asked him if he was a brother of a Mr. Penly, who killed himself, and who was a revolutionary soldier; and he said Weeks then stated that his name was Weeks, and that he too was a soldier of the revolution. That witness rather disputed his statement, when said Francis Weeks took out two papers which the witness took in his own hands and read, one of which was his discharge, and the other was a commission; and that the witness then believed that said commission and discharge were genuine, and that said Francis Weeks was a revolutionary soldier.

Said W. W. Webb is sworn to as a credible person by Benjamin Johnson, justice inferior court; Peter Patterson, justice inferior court; William W. Kinsey, justice inferior court; and Samuel Jones, justice inferior court.

The said Francis Weeks is recognized as a soldier of the revolution, and a competent witness in William Coggin's pension claim.—(See Coggin's brief; allowed \$88 as a lieutenant.)

William Coggin's commission was never produced, being lost or mis-

laid.—(See declaration in 1854.)